

January 5, 2010

Los Angeles County **Board of Supervisors**

TO:

FROM:

Each Supervisor

Gloria Molina

First District

John F. Schunhoff, Ph. D. 1

Interim Director

Mark Ridley-Thomas Second District

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES'

USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH NEONATAL

RESPIRATORY, INC

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This is to advise your Board that the Department of Health Services (DHS) is exercising its delegated authority, approved on June 12, 2007 (attached). to execute amendments to DHS contracts for contract assignments resulting from acquisitions, mergers, or other changes in ownership, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office, and notification to the Board offices.

DHS was notified of SH Staffing, LLC's acquisition of Neonatal Respiratory Team, Inc. on March 27, 2009. Due to the complexity of the acquisition transaction and associated documentation, the due diligence review process took DHS more time than typically required for an assignment of an agreement. The Amendment to be executed under this delegated authority allows Neonatal Respiratory, Inc., a California Corporation, to delegate its duties and assign its rights under Temporary Medical Personnel Services Agreement No. H-701843 to SH Staffing, LLC, a State of Maryland Limited Liability Corporation. All other terms, conditions and restrictions remain unchanged and in full effect.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Amendment as to use and form. The Chief Executive Office has also reviewed and approved the amendment.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

JFS:rb

Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer **Acting County Counsel** Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors



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APPROVAL OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO EXECUTE AMENDMENTS FOR CONTRACT ASSIGNMENTS AND DELEGATIONS AND CONTRACTORS' NAME CHANGES

(All Districts) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Bruce A. Chernof, MD Director and Chief Medical Officer

> John R. Cochran III Chief Deputy Director

Robert G. Splawn, MD Serior Medical Director Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to execute amendments to Department of Health Services' (DHS or Department) contracts, substantially similar to Exhibit I for contract assignments resulting from acquisitions, mergers, or other changes in ownership, and substantially similar to Exhibit II for contractors' name changes, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office and notification to the Board offices.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

In an effort to reduce Board agenda actions resulting from acquisitions, mergers, or other changes in ownership, or contractors' name changes, that do not impact the general contractual terms or payment provisions, the Department is seeking delegated authority to execute related amendments to reflect the correct legal entity and responsibilities of the parties when ownership changes occur, or acknowledge a contractor's name change, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office and notification to the Board offices.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.



FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

Currently, all contract assignments resulting from mergers, acquisitions, or other changes in ownership, and contractors' name changes amendments are presented as an agenda item for your Board's approval. Under the recommended action, DHS will use delegated authority to execute such amendments.

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DHS will continue to conduct an analysis of mergers and acquisitions as required under the Evaluation of Vendors/Contractors Engaged in Mergers or Acquisitions Board policy to determine the appropriateness of continuing to contract with a vendor which has changed its corporate status or merged with or been acquired by another company.

County Counsel has approved Exhibits I and II as to form.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

Not applicable on this action.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICE (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of the recommended action will expedite the Department's execution of these amendments to ensure that contract documents reflect the appropriate contractor name and business status.

When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce A. Chemof, M.D.

Director and Chief Medical Officer

BAC:ma

BL for delegated authority for name change, ma, wpd

Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors